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FOR AMBASSADOR STEVENSON FROM CHARGE

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TAGS: OGEN, MI
SUBJ: AMBASSADOR STEVENSON ARRIVAL/CREDENTIAL PRESENTATION PROTOCOL

REF: STATE 159421

1. ARRIVAL: CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AND MCP HEADQUARTERS BOTH ADVISE DATE NOT YET FIRM FOR MCP CONVENTION OTHER THAN IT WILL OPEN SOMETIME BETWEEN 1-12 SEPTEMBER, PROBABLY EARLIER THAN LATER. DATE LAST YEAR WAS SEPTEMBER 2. THEY REMIND THAT PRESIDENT BANDA CUSTOMARILY TRAVELS IN DISTRICTS BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER CONVENTION, DURING WHICH TIME HE DOES NOT RECEIVE CREDENTIALS. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL THEREFORE BELIEVES AMBASSADOR SHOULD ARRIVE BY MID-AUGUST TO BE SURE OF ACCREDITATION PRIOR TO MCP CONVENTION. (FYI - LAST YEAR BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER RITCHIE ENCOUNTERED SIMILAR PROBLEM AND DID NOT PRESENT CREDENTIALS UNTIL OCTOBER 6.)

2. SHOULD MID-AUGUST ARRIVAL PROVE INCONVENIENT, WOULD POINT OUT SEPTEMBER CAN PROFITABLY BE DEVOTED TO PROGRAM OF IN-COUNTRY ORIENTATION AND TRAVEL WITH PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS AFTER PRESIDENT'S RETURN TO SOUTHERN REGION LATE SEPTEMBER.

3. PRESENTATION CEREMONY: FORMAL MORNING ATTIRE REQUIREMENT STILL
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IN EFFECT EXCEPT THAT ONLY AMBASSADOR CUSTOMARILY CARRIES TOP HAT.

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CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ADVISES CEREMONY HAS COME TO BE MUCH MORE
BRIEF THAN 1970 OR EARLIER AND ATTENDANCE OF MORE THAN TWO OFF-
ICERS WITH AMBASSADOR IS NOT DESIRED. "ONE PLUS ONE" IN FACT
IS CURRENT PRACTICE AND IS RECOMMENDED BY YOUR UK COLLEAGUE
WHO FOUND, AS I PRESUME YOU WOULD, DIFFICULTY MAKING INVIDIOUS
CHOICE BETWEEN OTHER AGENCY HEADS FOR OTHER ATTENDEE BESIDE DCM.
"ONE PLUS ONE" HAS ADVANTAGE IN ELIMINATING PROBLEM OF MORNING
DRESS FOR CIVILIAN OFFICERS (I CAN ARRANGE MY OWN). ALTERNATIVE
WOULD BE TO INCLUDE DATT, WHO HAS FORMAL DRESS. (OF MISSIONS
WITH MILITARY ATTACHES BRITISH DID NOT INCLUDE DATT ALTHOUGH
SOUTH AFRICANS DID). I SUGGEST IT MAY BE MORE APPROPRIATE TO
GO "ONE PLUS ONE."

4. DRAFT REMARKS POUCHED AF/E JULY 26. NATURALLY WILL APPRECIATE
KNOWING YOUR ENVISAGED ARRIVAL TIMING PLUS ANY COMMENTS OR CHANGES
IN PROPOSED REMARKS AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.
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